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Tim A. Berkness, Treasurer  
Minnesota Committee for the  
Republican Congress  
3010 Hennepin Avenue S #301  
Minneapolis, MN 55408

Identification Number: C00286583

Reference: Year End (7/1/99-12/31/99) and April Quarterly (1/1/00-3/31/00) Reports

Dear Mr. Berkness:

On September 13, 2000, you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

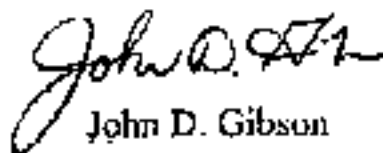
Your September 28, 2000 response is incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

-Your letter states that Pinnacle Direct, Inc. handles administrative expenses such as rent, utilities, office equipment, and supplies; however, there was no mention of salaries for the employees. Please clarify how the salaries are paid, or whether the committee is staffed solely by volunteers. All payments to a person aggregating in excess of \$200 in a calendar year must be disclosed on Schedule B, supporting Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page.

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by October 25, 2000. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Edward D. Ryan on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John D. Gibson".

John D. Gibson  
Assistant Staff Director  
Reports Analysis Division

